



United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

2013 Ranking Period 1

Animal Enhancement Activity—KS-ANM17 Monitoring nutritional status of livestock using the NUTBAL PRO system

Kansas Criteria for National Animal Enhancement Activity—ANM17

1. Visit the Grazing Animal Nutrition Lab Web site at Texas AgriLife Research, Texas A&M University at <http://cnrit.tamu.edu/ganlab/index.php>.
2. Choose an option offered by the lab which best fits the needs of the grazing operation.
3. Identify grazing operation design on the ranch or farm (forage growing period, grazing period, vegetation to be monitored, livestock used to harvest forage) to determine sampling period, sampling schedule, and numbers of samples to be taken (minimum of 6 samples and analysis will be required each year.)
4. Decisions made based upon analysis reports shall be documented in written form and provided to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office in the participant's respective county.
5. Reports shall indicate when needed actions were taken and provided to the NRCS at the end of the grazing and monitoring period or schedule.